

Bill # 71-09

**The Graduate and Professional Student Association  
(GPSA)  
The Pennsylvania State University**



**of the 71st Assembly**  
September 15, 2021

*Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,*

**GPSA Professional Head Shots**  
**Funding for Professional Head Shots for Graduate Students**  
(Decided: [ Y / N / A ])

1 **Nature of the Situation:**

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3 Part of GPSA's mission is to promote professional and job-related opportunities for  
4 graduate and professional students. Establishing a professional identity usually requires  
5 professional headshots, which can be used on LinkedIn and other professional-related  
6 digital sources.

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8 In order to provide an ample range of times for graduate and professional students to get  
9 their headshots taken while maintaining COVID guidelines, we will have a photographer  
10 on campus for three days in the semester with three hours each day. Each session will  
11 be held inside/outside with a professional lighting setup, and we will ask each participant  
12 to wait until their scheduled time to arrive. Each headshot takes approximately 5 minutes,  
13 allowing up to 108 participants. Registration will be advertised through the GPSA  
14 Newswire and via the GPSA social media pages at least one week prior to the event.

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16 **Recommended Course of Action:**

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1 The Professional Development Committee will hold a professional headshot event for  
2 graduate and professional students on three days in the semester when the weather is  
3 good. Headshots will be taken by photographer Darya Marene Alvarez, PSU Advertising  
4 and Photography student, whose work can be found at  
5 <https://daryaalvarez.wixsite.com/website>. Exact dates and times are subject to change  
6 based on final contact with the photographer.  
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8 Photography Service: \$1170 (\$130/hour x 9 hours)  
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10 **Total: \$1170**

Respectfully submitted,

**Niladri Sekhar Mandal**  
Chair, Professional Development Committee

President \_\_\_\_\_ Veto

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